

Capsule Summary
SM-415
W. Edelen Gough House
Chaptico
Private

Circa 1923-1930

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St. Mary's County
Maryland Comprehensive State Historic Preservation Plan Data

Historic Context

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period: Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930.

Historic Period Theme: Architecture

Resource Type

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function and Use: Residence

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. SM-415

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common W. Edelen Gough House

2. Location

street & number Hurry-Chaptico Road (north side of Rt. 238) ☐ not for publication

city, town Chaptico ☐ vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county St. Mary's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Dennis K. and Victoria A. Ramey

street & number Rt 234 & 238 telephone no.: 301884-4946

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Clerk of Court liber EWA 631

street & number St. Mary's County Courthouse folio 249

city, town Leonardtown state Md

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing Resource Count: 2

The W. Edelen Gough House is located on a slight rise on the east side of the Chaptico Hurry Road in the village of Chaptico. While the front facade of the house faces west towards the Chaptico Hurry Road and the Chaptico Run, the rear of the house is bounded by Maryland Route 234. To the south of the house is the vacant Tavern Lot and the Chaptico Post Office. This house is located at the northern edge of the village. One outbuilding and a gazebo stand on the property

Constructed in the mid-1920s, the Gough House is a two-bay, two-and-a-half story structure supported by a cinderblock foundation. The house has a partial basement. The exterior is sheathed with aluminum siding and the hipped roof is covered with metal shingles.

The first floor of the west (main) elevation of the house is obscured by a one-story porch. This porch wraps around to the east side of the building where it creates a car port. The porch is supported by cinderblock piers surmounted by tapering, square wood piers which support the roof. The porch roof is finished with a heavy cyma curve molding and the roofline is broken by a central gable. The roof is sheathed with corrugated metal. The first floor of the house is lit by a bank of three nine-over-one sash windows with wide, plain surrounds and louvered shutters. The entrance door is a twelve-light-over-one panel door with four-light sidelights and a wide, flat surround. The second floor is lit by two pairs of six-over-one sash windows with wide, flat surrounds and louvered shutters. The upper half story of the house consists of a gable roof dormer with cornice returns. The dormer is lit by three nine-over-one sash windows with wide, flat surrounds. A metal eagle is tacked to the dormer's eave and a decorative wrought metal and glass lightning rod stands at the apex of the dormer's roof.

The basement level of the south elevation is lit by three small windows. The main block is lit by one pair of nine-over-one sash windows and a bank of three nine-over-one sash windows, all with wide, flat surrounds. Between the first and second floor is one nine-over-one sash window which lights the interior stairwell. The second floor is lit by one pair of nine-over-one and two single nine-over-one windows, all with the same surrounds. An interior brick chimney pierces the roof slope of this elevation. To the east extends a single pile, two-story wing which creates an ell with the main block of the house. A two-story porch extends across the south elevation of this wing. The first floor of the porch is enclosed with particle board and plexi-glass. Behind this porch, the house's original weatherboard sheathing is visible. The wing is pierced by a single-light-over-two-panel entrance door and one nine-over-one sash window. The second floor of the porch has square post supports and square post balusters. Here,

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	none	Builder/Architect	unknown
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check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Quadrangle scale ~~1:24 000~~

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7.1 Description

the wing is pierced by one four-light-over-two panel door which opens onto the porch. The door is flanked on either side by one nine-over-one sash window with wide surrounds.

The east elevation of the main block is lit by one nine-over-one sash window with wide surrounds on the first and second floors. The east end of the wing is blind. An interior brick chimney pierces the east roof slope of this wing.

The north elevation is pierced by a central twelve-light-over-one-panel entrance door with wide surrounds. The door is sheltered by a hipped roof portico supported by turned posts which are a later addition. The portico roof is sheathed with the same metal shingles as the roof of the main house. To the east of the entrance are six nine-over-one sash windows with louvered shutters. To the west is one pair of nine-over-one sash windows with shutters. The second floor is lit by eight nine-over-one windows with louvered shutters. This north roof slope of the house is pierced by an interior brick chimney.

The interior plan of the house is asymmetrical with a winding open stringer stair tucked into the southeast corner of the entrance hall. Two parlors are located to the north of the entrance hall. Five-panel doors are located throughout the house. The kitchen, located in the rear of the house, retains its original pressed metal walls and ceiling. A nanny's room is located above the kitchen on the second floor of the house. The interior of the upper half story of the house, now used as a library, is also sheathed with tin.

A pyramidal roofed outbuilding stands on the southeast side of the house. Roofed with asphalt shingles and sheathed with weatherboard siding, this structure faces west. A shed roof porch extends to the west of the structure. A modern gazebo stands on north side of the house.

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8.1 Significance

Chain of Title

TO: Dennis K. and Victoria A. Ramey
FROM: George E. Andrews, per power of attorney from Dr. Ibrahim Hassan Moustafa of Egypt.
RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber EWA 631, folio 249.
DATE: November 1, 1991
NOTES: Transfer of 3.277 acre tract. Deed missing from deed book.

TO: Dr. Ibrahim Hassan Moustafa
FROM: William T. Hambek and Linda L. Hambek
RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber MRB 439, folio 490.
DATE: October 26, 1988.
NOTES: Transfer of 3.277 acre tract.

TO: William T. and Linda L. Hambek
FROM: W. Edelen Gough, Jr., Mary Loretta Mattingly, and Edith G. Kokoszka.
RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Records, Liber MRB 10, folio 197.
DATE: May 1, 1978.
NOTES: Transfer of 3.277 acre tract, being part of DBK 177/248.

TO: W. Edelen Gough, Jr., Mary Loretta Mattingly, and Edith G. Kokoszka, as tenants in common.
FROM: Edith R. Gough and W. Edelen Gough, Jr., personal representative of estate of W. Edelen Gough and Edith B. Gough.
RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber DBK 177, folio 248.
DATE: April 13, 1972.
NOTES: W. Edelen Gough's will was probated on January 26, 1970, Estate # 1294. Edith B. Gough died intestate March 10, 1971, Estate # 1512. Transfer of tract of land which is the same as CBG 14/477 excepting that land transferred in CBG 15/472, CBG 88/496, and CBG 132/371.

TO: W. Edelen Gough and Edith B. Gough
FROM: County Trust Company
RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber CBG 14, folio 477
DATE: August 7, 1943.
NOTES: Transfer of three tracts, 1.) 1.5 acres known as the "Tavern Lot" being the same as EBA 20/516. 2.) 3.5 acres being the same as JMM 2/34. 3.) a third undivided interest in Suttle's Range, same as JJG 1/382. All of these tracts being the same as per CBG 13/474.

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8.2 Significance

TO: County Trust Company

FROM: W. Edelen Gough

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber CBG 13, folio 474.

DATE: August 10, 1942.

NOTES: Transfer of three tracts. The W. Edelen Gough house stands on tract no. 2, being the same as JMM 2/34.

TO: W. Edelen Gough

FROM: Eleanor G. Owens and G. French Owens

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber JMM 2, folio 34.

DATE: October 6, 1923.

NOTES: Transfer of 3.5 acre tract being a portion of EBA 9/87.

TO: Eleanor G. Owens

FROM: George R. Garner, widower.

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber EBA 9, folio 87.

DATE: November 1, 1910.

— NOTES: Transfer of 132 acres, with the exception of the 1.5 acre tract known as the "Tavern Lot," being a part of JFF 1/235. Includes some woodland, known as "Long Woods." Price: \$3000

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10.1 Geographical Data

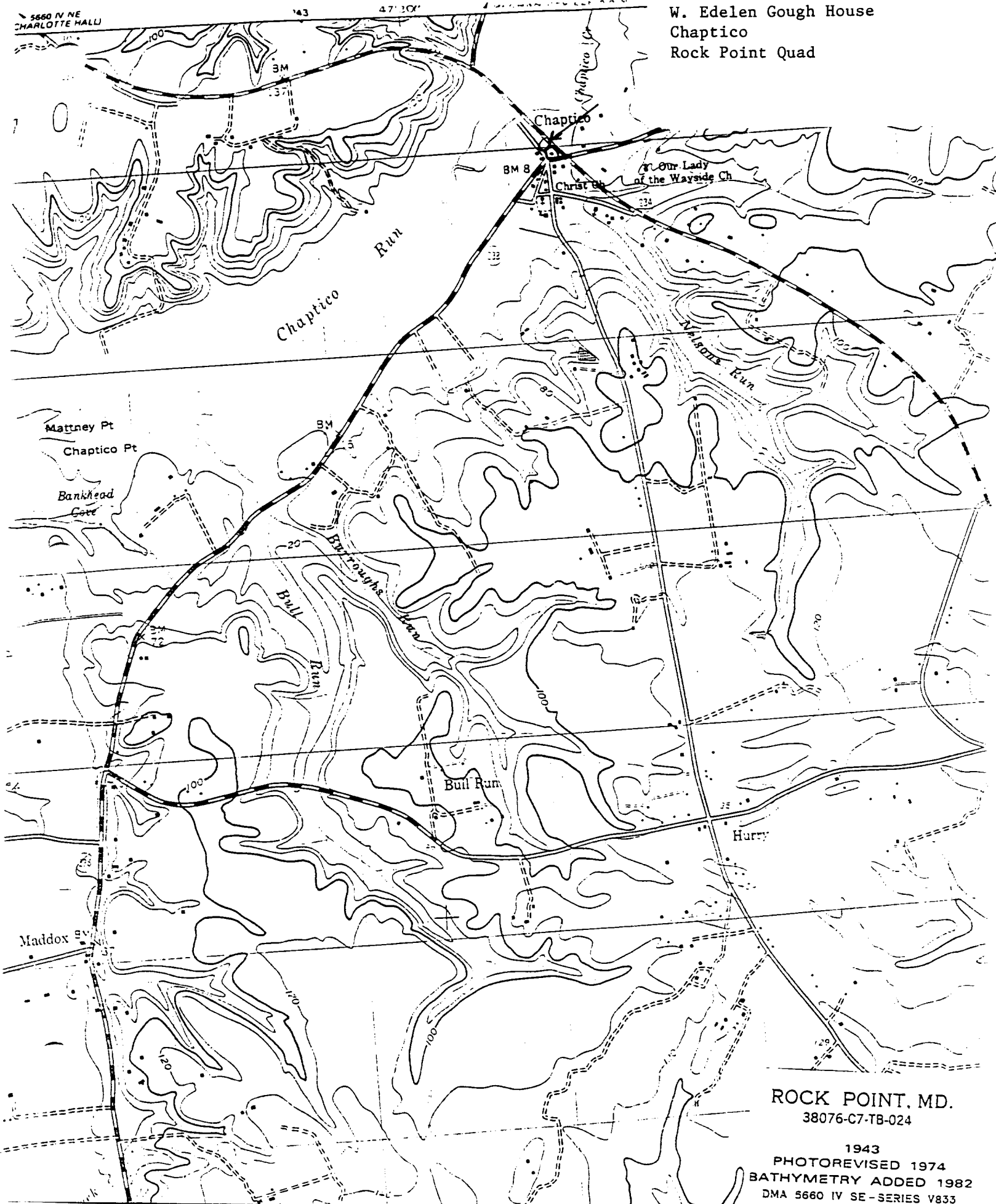
Verbal boundary description and justification

Source: St. Mary's County Land Records, Liber EWA 631, folio 248.

BEGINNING for the same at an iron pipe set in the Southwesterly right of way line of Maryland State Road #234, as shown on the SAC Plat #20466. Said beginning point being further located as being the most Northerly corner of a tract of land being leased to the United States Post Office. Thence leaving the beginning point so fixed and running and binding on the said Post Office Lot the following two (2) courses and distances, (1) South 56 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West 63.00 feet to an iron pipe found, (2) South 33 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East 18.83 feet to an iron pipe set; thence (3) South 54 degrees 37 minutes 22 seconds West 175.11 feet to an iron pipe set in the centerline of an abandoned State Road; thence running and binding on the centerline of said road, (4) North 27 degrees 01 minutes 55 seconds West 739.23 feet to an iron pipe set; thence leaving said centerline and running, (5) North 56 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East 156.36 feet to the aforementioned right of way of Maryland State Route #234; thence running and binding on said right of way (6) South 33 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East 709.77 feet to the point and place of beginning containing a total of 3.277 acres of land, more or less.

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Rock Point Quad

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CHARLOTTE HALL



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BATHYMETRY ADDED 1982
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